Docket No.: 50099-180

## **PATENT**

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Shigenobu MAEDA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/988,593

Filed: November 20, 2001

: Group Art Unit: 2823

Examiner: T.V. Pham

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Noting the Office Action of October 21, 2002 wherein restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1 through 11) for prosecution in the above-identified application. Rejoinder of the non-elected method claims upon allowance of counterpart elected claims is requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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